

Indiana Department of Environmental Management Office of Water Quality Wetlands Section

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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Closing Date: February 3, 2009

Corps of Engineers ID Number: LRL-2008-1365-mdh

To all interested parties:

This letter shall serve as a formal notice of the receipt of an application for Section 401 Water Quality Certification by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). The purpose of the notice is to inform the public of active applications submitted for water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341) and to solicit comments and information on any impacts to water quality related to the proposed project. IDEM will evaluate whether the project complies with Indiana's water quality standards as set forth at 327 IAC 2.

1. Applicant:

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3. Project location:

Part of Sections 7, 11&18 Township 6 South and Section 31, Township 5 South, Range 11 West, Kasson USGS. The project begins at the existing northern terminus of University Parkway and proceeds north to SR 66.

4. Affected waterbody:

One emergent wetland and numerous streams

5. Project Description:

The applicant proposes to construct Phase 2 & 3 of the University Parkway which will be a 4-lane north-south connector road. The project will require the discharge of clean earthen fill material into 0.16 acre of emergent wetland and the installation of structures, riprap and the relocation of 4,305 linear feet of streams. As compensatory mitigation for wetland impacts, the applicant proposes to create approximately 0.40 acre of emergent wetland. As compensatory mitigation for stream impacts the applicant proposes to plant trees and shrubs along 1,560 linear feet of Little Creek and along the 2,037 linear feet of constructed stream channels. The applicant also proposes to mitigate 725 linear feet of stream in place with the construction of oversized culverts with natural stream bottoms left in place. The total riparian and bottomland forest creation will be approximately 10.78 acres and 2.68 acres of riparian corridor preservation. Of the 10.78 acres of forested mitigation approximately 8.0 acres is to compensate for failed mitigation attempts associated with Phase 1 of this project.

Comment period:

Any person or entity who wishes to submit comments or information relevant to the aforementioned project may do so by the closing date noted above. Only comments or information related to water quality or potential impacts of the project on water quality can be considered by IDEM in the water quality certification review process.

Public Hearing:

Any person may submit a written request that a public hearing be held to consider issues related to water quality in connection with the project detailed in this notice. The request for a hearing should be submitted within the comment period to be considered timely. The request should also state the reason for the public hearing as specifically as possible to assist IDEM in determining whether a public hearing is warranted.

Questions?

Additional information may be obtained from Mr. Jason Randolph, Project Manager, at 317-233-0467. Please address all correspondence to the project manager and reference the IDEM project identification number listed on this notice. Indicate if you wish to receive a copy of IDEM's final decision. Written comments and inquiries may be forwarded to -

Indiana Department of Environmental Management 100 North Senate Avenue MC65-42 WQS IGCN 1255 Indianapolis, Indiana 46204-2251

FAX: 317/232-8406

Table 1. University Parkway Water Resource Impacts (Phases II and III)

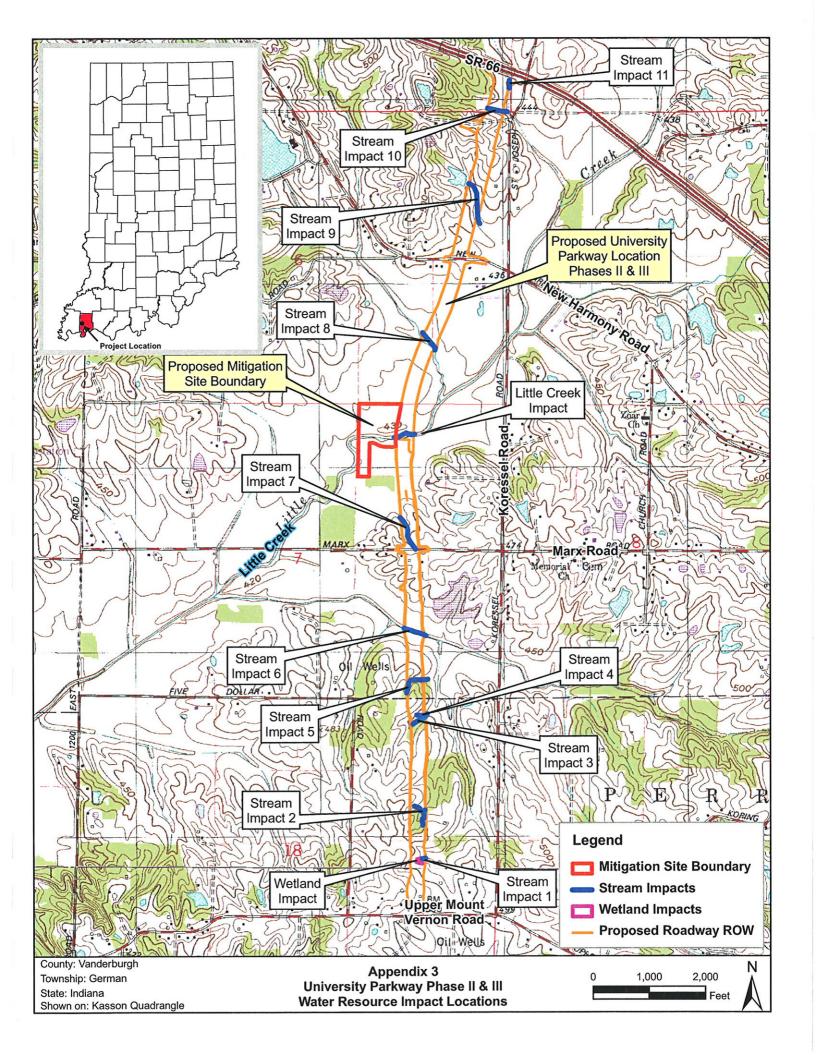
Wetland Impact #	Aquatic Type	Impact Length (linear feet)	Impact Area* (acre)	
Wetland	Palustrine Emergent Wetland	N/A	0.16 acre	
Stream Impact #1	Stream	75	0.01 acre	
Stream Impact #2	Stream	550	0.03 acre	
Stream Impact #3	Stream	250	0.03 acre	
Stream Impact #4	Stream	150	0.01 acre	
Stream Impact #5	Stream	475	0.01 acre	
Stream Impact #6	Stream	400	0.01 acre	
Stream Impact #7	Stream	620	0.13 acre	
Little Creek Impact	Stream	415	0.43 acre	
Stream Impact #8	Stream	370	0.43 acre	
Stream Impact #9	Stream	650		
Stream Impact #10	Stream	250	0.03 acre	
Stream Impact #11	Stream	100	0.01 acre 0.02 acre	

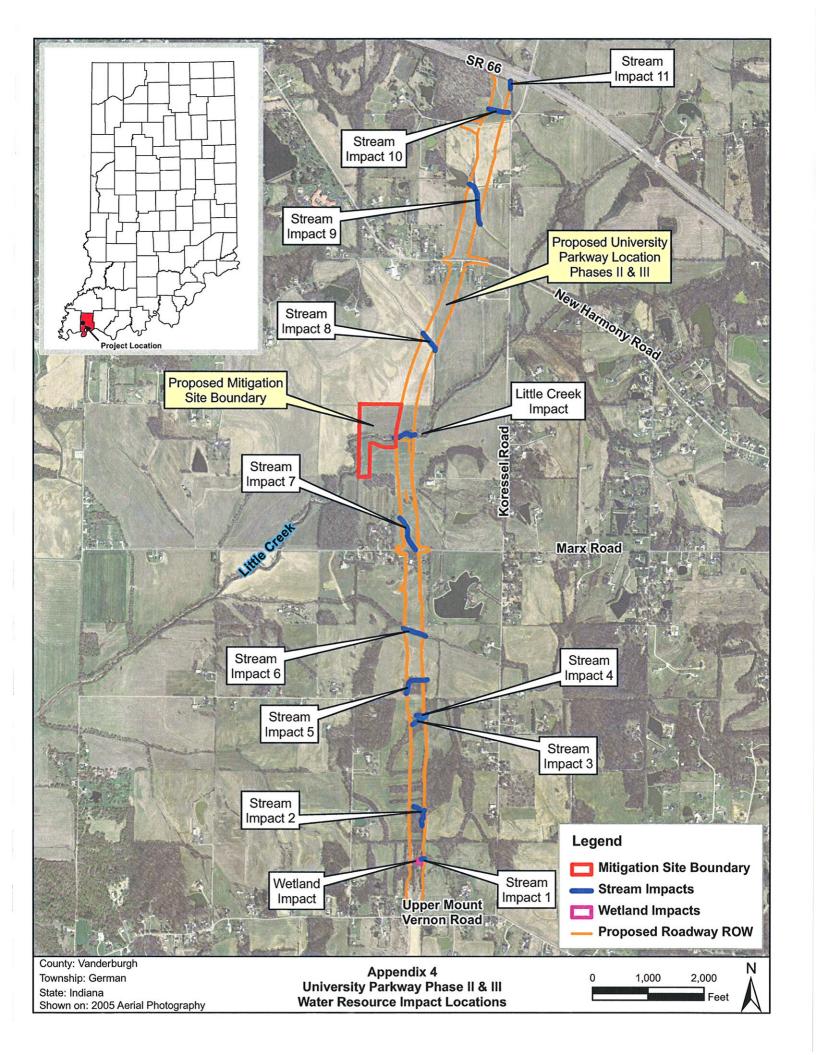
^{*}Impact Area represents the stream area located below the Ordinary High Water Mark (OHWM)

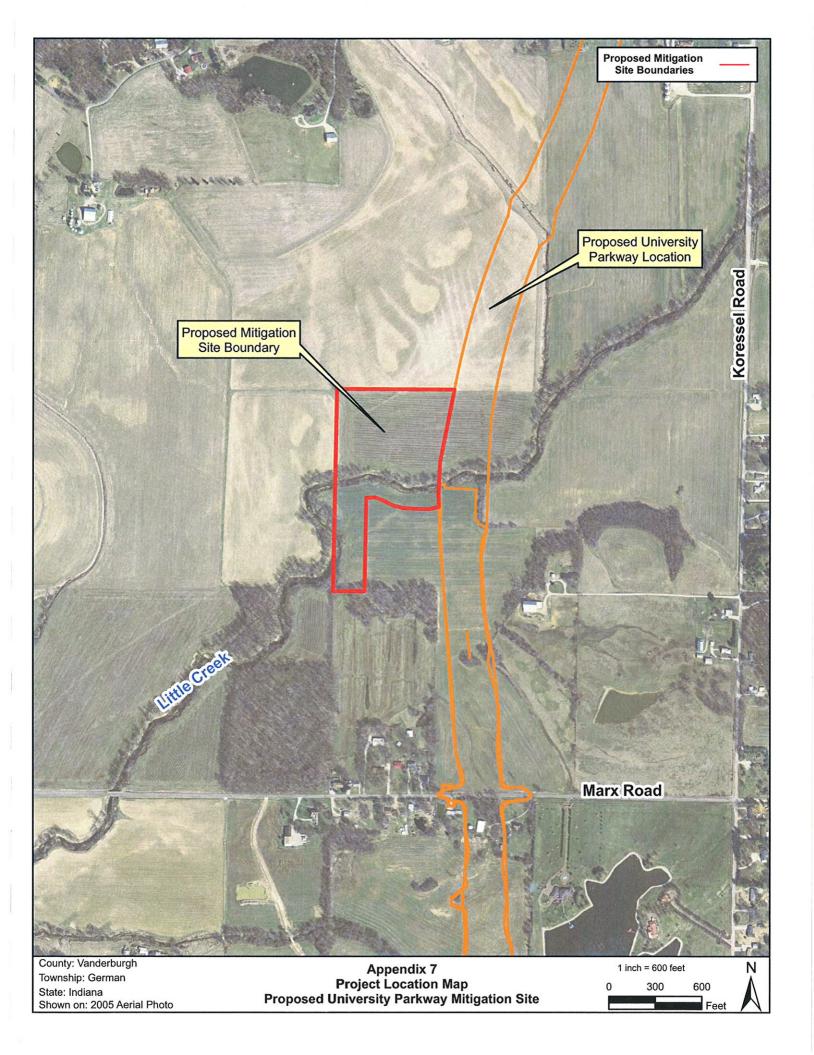
Table 3. University Parkway Impact and Target Mitigation Summary				
Habitat Type		University Parkway Wetland and Stream Impacts	Mitigation Required	
Palustrine Emergent Wetland		0.16 acres	0.32 acres	
Streams		4,305 feet	4,305 feet	
Riparian Habitat		0.84 acres	0.84 acres	
Phase I Deficient Mitigation (Upland/Bottomland Forest)		8.00 acres	8.00 acres	
Total Required	Emergent Wetland Streams Riparian/Forest Habitat	0.16 acres 4,305 feet 8.84 acres	0.32 acres 4,305 feet 8.84 acres	

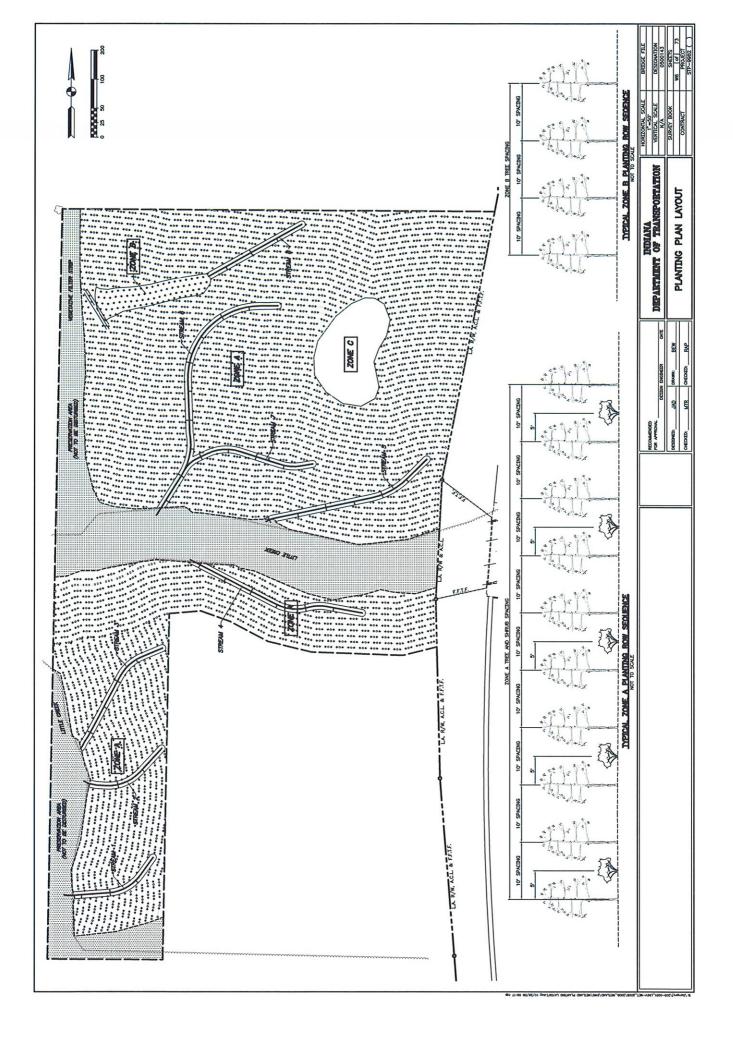
Table 4. University Parkway Mitigation Offering Summary		
Mitigation Activity	Mitigation Offered (acres)	
Create Jurisdictional Emergent Wetlands	0.40 acres	
Stream Channel Development/Enhancement*	4,322 feet	
Conservation of Existing Vegetative Filter and Riparian Habitats	2.68 acres	
Creation of Wooded Riparian Habitat	2.78 acres	
Phase I Remediation (Bottomland/Upland Forests)	8.00 acres	
Totals Mitigation Being Offered Stream Channel Development/Enhancement Riparian/Forest Habitat Creation Riparian Habitat Preservation	0.40 acres 4,322 feet (0.51 ac) 11.29 acres 2.68 acres	
Mitigation Site Total Acreage	14.37 acres	

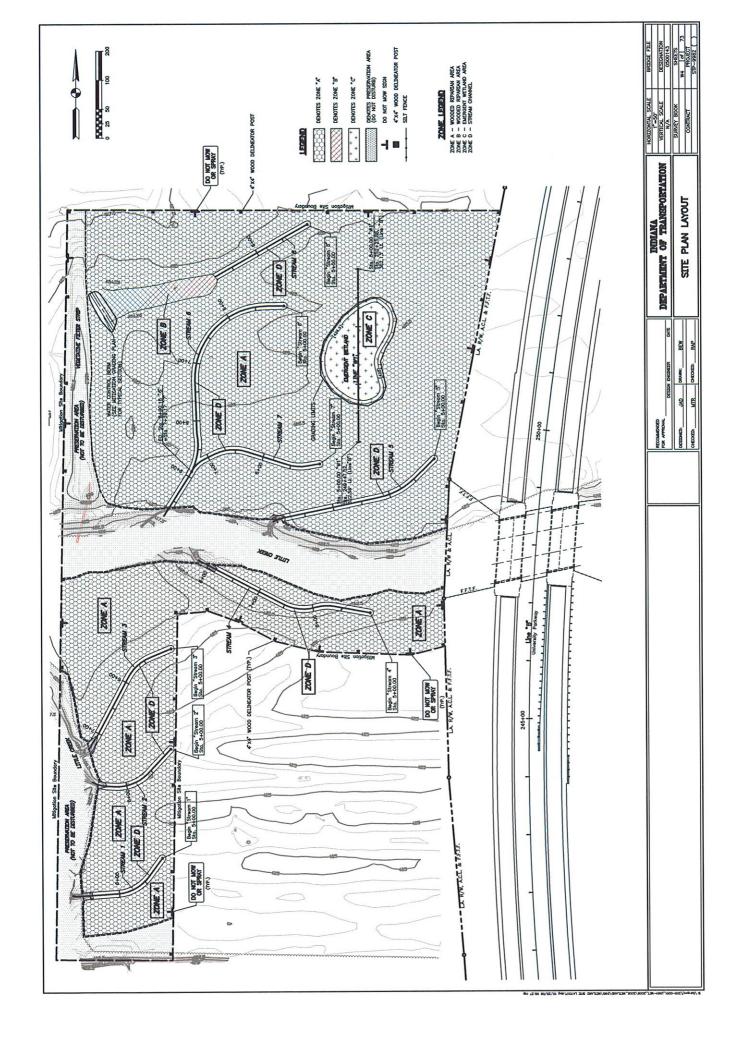
^{*}Mitigation length includes 2,037 feet of stream channel development, 1,560 feet of Little Creek riparian enhancement, and 725 feet of inplace mitigation.











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Zone A	Area:	10.60 acres		
Wooded	Elevation:	No excavation anticipated		
Riparian	Trees:	Bur Oak Pin Oak Shellbark Hickory Sweetgum Pecan	Number: 923 BR 923 BR 923 BR 923 BR 923 BR 923 BR	
	Shrubs:	Common Ninebark Black Chokeberry Common Spicebush Elderberry Pale Dogwood	Number: 462 BR 462 BR 462 BR 462 BR 462 BR 462 BR	
	Ground Cover:	Annual Ryegrass	Amount: 424.0 lbs	
mechanically planted with 10 foot root shrub seedlings are to be mechanidway between every other tree strees and shrubs shall be plante equally throughout the zone in regaplanting rows shall follow the patte the plans.		be by broadcast spreading to followed by mulching and tree seedlings are to be a 10 foot spacing. Bare to be mechanically planted her tree seedling. Both be planted randomly and the in regards to species.		
Zone B	Area:	0.18 acres		
Wooded Bottomland	Elevation:	No excavation anticipated		
Cypress Grove	Trees:	Bald Cypress	Number: 80 BR	
	Ground Cover:	Annual Ryegrass	Amount: 7.2 lbs	
	Planting Guidelines:	Prior to tree planting, the planting of the Annual Ryegrass shall be by broadcast spreading at a rate of 40.00 lbs/acre followed by mulching and watering. Bare root tree seedlings are to be mechanically		
		planted with 10 foot spacing. Planting rows shall follow the patterns specified in the plans.		
Zone C	Area:	0.40 acres		
Emergent Wetland	Elevation:	~424.5 to 425.5 feet		
	Ground Cover:	Emergent Wetland Seed Mix		
	Planting Guidelines:	Planting of the Emergent Wetland Seed Mix shall be by broadcast spreading at a rate of 34.78 lbs/acre followed by mulching and watering.		
Zone D	Area:	0.51 acres		
Stream Channel	Elevation:	See Appendix 9 (Design Plans)		
Development	Ground Cover:	Swale Seed Mix	Amount: 14.2 lbs	
	Planting Guidelines:	spreading at a rate of 2	i Mix shall be by broadcast 7.72 lbs/acre followed by ber matting and watering.	